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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Economic Research

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

CIA and RAND Studies on Soviet Oil; Status of 1978 World Energy Study

- 1. During a press interview in Chicago, the statement was made to me that the RAND study on Soviet oil reserves which we commissioned alleges that the Soviets, through tertiary recovery, off-shore drilling and other devices, are going to be able to overcome the mid-1980s deficit which we predicted in our July 1977 unclassified study. Is this the case? Are there significant differences of viewpoint between our studies and the RAND study? Clearly the impression is out that we endorse the RAND study as our own work. Is this the case?
- 2. How are we coming on the unclassified version of the 1978 world energy study?

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